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Form for Evaluating Internet Information Resources

(NOTE: This form is not for evaluating productivity software/sites, how-to sites, definition pages, simulation games/sites, educational software/games/sites, or any other Web site except a narrative text, encyclopedia-type information page)

1. **URL of Web page being evaluated:**

http://www.glencoe.com/sec/literature/litlibrary/pdf/where_the_red_fern_grows.pdf

2. **Primary use (students, teacher, parent, other,...):** Student and Teacher

Questions 3-9 are about the site that is hosting your page.

3. **Truncate the URL of the Web page. What is the domain name of the Web site?** *glencoe.com*

4. **What is the name of Web site?** *Study Guide for Where the Red Fern Grows*

5. **What is the purpose or goal of this Web site?** *Provide background and information to teachers/students*

6. **What organization or individual created this site?** *McGraw-Hill Education*

7. **What affiliations/partners does this site have?** *THE GLENCOE LITERATURE LIBRARY*

8. **What kind of bias does this site have? (Note: every site has a bias, you just have to be aware of what that bias is and be prepared to defend it or present information from other viewpoints.)** *Just educational information, maybe suggesting it is worth the read.*

9. **What other types of organizations link to this site? (Using the Google search engine, type *link:* and the Web site address (example: *link:www.website.com*))** *www.science.glencoe.com / <http://www.glencoe.com/ose/> / <http://www.mheducation.com/>*

10. **Is there a way to provide feedback on the Web site and create an exchange with the author or Web site manager?** *No, but on main glencoe website there is.*

Questions 10-12 are about the specific page that has information for your project/unit:

11. **Who is the author of the page and does that person have valid credentials to present this information (the creator of the site is not always the author of a page within the site)?** *McGraw-Hill Education is one of the "big three" educational publishing companies. Yes, they have the credentials.*

12. **What other references are cited for the information presented?** *N/A*

13. **How old is the material on the page? Is it current or outdated (copyright year is not the same as the last update)?** *Current*

Final evaluation questions:

- 14. Are there ads linked to the page or the site that might make this page inappropriate for your audience? Are the ads “sticky” or static? If there are no ads, how is this Web site paid for (where do they get their money)? xx**
- 15. Is there other content on the site that appears affiliated with the information you’ve selected that might make this page inappropriate (a Web site with great tutorials on how to make good movies with sections on how to make a documentary, a biography, an infomercial, etc. might also have a tutorial on making an inappropriate movie)? xx**
- 16. Reviewing your answers above, is this a good page/site to use for your project/unit? Why or why not? (NOTE: Some questions above may not apply to your page; there is no rule as to how many “correct” answers are needed for a page to be good or what constitutes a “bad” page. You just need to be able to justify your choices and the information above can provide good support.) xx**